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EXDIS TOKYO FOR GOVERNOR SCRANTON FROM HABIB

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UNGA, KS, KN

SUBJECT: USUN MISOFF ORME WILSON'S VISIT TO KOREA

REF: TOKYO 13488

1. I APPRECIATE FULLY CONSIDERATIONS YOU RAISED REFTEL RE POSSIBLE WILSON VISIT TO PANMUNJOM. LIKE YOU, I BELIEVE WILSON'S VISIT VERY IMPORTANT IN TERMS OF GIVING HIM FIRST-HAND IMPRESSION OF DMZ SITUATION AS WELL AS THOROUGH UNDERSTANDING OF UNC ARMISTICE MACHINERY. I AM SURE THAT EMBASSY SEOUL APPRECIATES THIS.

2. I HAVE ASKED THAT EMBASSY SEOUL ARRANGE AT LEAST BRIEF VISIT TO JOINT SECURITY AREA FOR WILSON IF THAT IS AT ALL FEASIBLE. IF JSA VISIT NOT POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF CURRENT JOINT UNC/NORTH KOREAN CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES GOING ON IN
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THE AREA, THE EMBASSY IS TO WORK OUT A PROGRAM INVOLVING

VISIT TO CAMP KITTY HAWK WHICH IS ON EDGE JOINT SECURITY AREA, BRIEFING THERE BY PARTICIPANTS DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN AUGUST 18 INCIDENT AND VISIT TO NEARBY OBSERVATION SITE WHERE WILSON CAN GET FIRST-HAND VIEW OF JSA.

3. IN VIEW OF SHORT TIME REMAINING, I HAVE ASKED THAT EMBASSY SEOUL TRANSMIT DIRECTLY TO TOKYO ARRANGEMENTS IT IS WORKING OUT FOR WILSON. KISSINGER

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